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**Amendments to the Claims:**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 – 7 (cancelled)

Claim 8 (Original) A method of increasing the ratio of light melanin to dark melanin in the skin of a mammal, the method comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of (a) a flavanoid, (b) vitamin C and (c) vitamin E wherein at least component (b) is administered systemically and the other components are administered topically.

Claim 9 (Currently amended) A method according to claim 8 of increasing the ratio of light melanin to dark melanin in the skin of a mammal, the method comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of (a) a flavanoid, (b) vitamin C and (c) vitamin E wherein components (a) and (b) are administered systemically and component (c) is administered topically.

Claim 10 (Currently amended) A method according to claim 8 of increasing the ratio of light melanin to dark melanin in the skin of a mammal, the method comprising administering systemically to said mammal an effective amount of (a) a flavanoid, (b) vitamin C and (c) vitamin E wherein components (a), (b) and (c) are administered systemically.

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Claims 11 – 15 (Cancelled)

Claim 16 (New): The method according to claim 8 wherein the flavanoid comprises a mixture of proanthocyanidins and anthocyanidins.

Claim 17 (New): The method according to claim 8 wherein the flavanoid comprises one or more flavanones.